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SUBJECT: UN FINANCES: UNEF/UNDOF FINANCING - SOVIET PAYMENTS

REF: USUN A-1057 AND STATE 218941

1. SOVIET UNION, BYELORUSSIA, AND UKRAINE HAVE PAID IN FULL
THEIR RESPECTIVE ORIGINAL ASSESSMENTS FOR FIRST YEAR (10/25/73 THROUGH

10/24/74) OF FINANCING UNEF/UNDOF. THEY HAVE NOT PAID ANYTHING,
HOWEVER, TOWARD \$19.8 MILLION ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT FOR FIRST YEAR,
WHICH WAS LEVIED UNDER GA RES 3211 B(XXIX).

2. THESE THREE HAVE MADE PAYMENT IN FULL FOR AMOUNTS ASSESSED FOR
SIX-MONTH PERIOD ENDING 24 APRIL 1975, BUT HAVE REFUSED TO ALLOW UN TO

FOLLOW FINANCIAL REGS AND CREDIT THESE PAYMENTS TO AMOUNTS OWED FOR
PREVIOUS PERIOD ON ESTABLISHED "FIST-IN, FIRST-OUT BASIS."

THEREFORE, THESE PAYMENTS FOR SIX-MONTH PERIOD ENDING 24
APRIL 1975 APPEAR IN MONTHLY REPORTS (SEE REFAIR) AS BEING
"HELD IN SUSPENSE." RESPONSIBLE SECT OFFICIAL HAS INFORMED
US IN CONFIDENCE THAT UN CONTROLLER PLANS TO DISCUSS SOVIET
PAYMENTS WITH PERM REP MALIK IN NEXT FEW DAYS IN EFFORT TO RESOLVE
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APPARENT IMPASSE.

3. COMMENT: SOVIETS, BY REFUSING TO PAY THEIR SHARE OF \$19.8 MILLION ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT FOR FIST YEAR, MAY BE ATTEMPTING TO ESTABLISH PRECEDENT FOR NOT MEETING ANY COSTS OF FORCE BEYOND ORIGINAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED. FURTHER, THEIR APPROACH THUS FAR IN FINANCING FORCE MAY BE USED AS JUSTIFICATION BY SOVIETS FOR REFUSAL TO PAY THEIR FULL SHARE OF COSTS OF EXPECTED EXPANDED UNEF RESULTING FROM RECENT EGYPTIAN/ISRAELI AGREEMENT, WHICH PROBABLY WILL RESULT IN SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASED COST TO UN WITH ACCOMPANYING INCREASED ASSESSMENTS ON MEMBER STATES.
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